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maybe at the local level, it's their own fault. contributed to their demise. All the opposition did was said here is a sword, and the Democrats took it and then decided what They either could have fought with it, to do with it. Errol Flynn against the pirates, or they could have positioned it on the ground and then fallen upon it. They have fallen upon their sword. They chose to fall upon their sword. And now even if they can stagger to their feet, vital organs have been punctured and there can be no healing of them. Great quantities of blood have been lost. So if the vitality of the body is in the blood, a great amount of the vitality is gone. And because of that, there is no need for us to even spend time on that other bill when it comes before us. I'm taking as much time now as is needed and my Democratic colleagues are so dispirited. they've lost the battle before they even started, that they cannot bring themselves to engage in a struggle at this point which might allow them to salvage at least a modicum of self-respect. But they cannot even summon the will to do So I will compile a record that I'm going to have transcribed; well, it will be transcribed anyway. And I'm going to throw it the face of my Democratic friends when they start whining about the overwhelmingly Republican makeup of this state. the very point where they could have fought to do something, they didn't. It is not of value to the people at large for either party to be totally dominant all the time. I will not be member of either party because there come points when they deviate from their principles. The Democratic party supposedly, and I emphasize supposedly, is to be the party of the common the workers, women, the dispossessed, "Repelicans", on the other hand, are the party of the wealthy, the plunderers, the big corporations, big oil that Senator Bruning sometimes takes issue with in other contexts. do the working people have to look at, to inspire themselves? They see all of their leaders lying on the ground. One of the things Oklahoma used to be known for on defense, when a play was over, no Oklahoma player was standing, but the other team didn't have people standing either. And the same thing happened when Oklahoma was on offense. Their men, when they were to block, supposed to knock the other player down. So when you looked out there during an Oklahoma game against a good opponent, after a play, it was like what's happening to the